

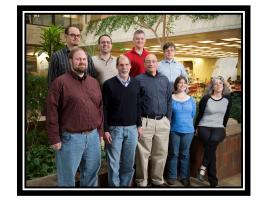
UEC Report

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Users Executive Committee Chair





Users Meeting June 12-13, 2013





Users Executive Committee











Mary Anne Cummings Muons, Inc.

9/12 - 8/14



Craig Group University of Virginia

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Sergo Jindariani Fermilab





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Ryan Patterson California Institute of Technology



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Greg Snow University of Nebraska

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Bob Zwaska Fermilab



UEC

- Six members elected each summer to serve 2-year terms
 - past chair continues for 3rd year
- Support from Fermilab Users Office
 - Amanda Thompson, Barb Book, Kappy Sherman
- Support from Office of Communication
 - Katie Yurkewicz, Leah Hesla, Kurt Riesselmann
- Support from Visual Media Services Office
 - Reidar Hahn, Diana Brandonisio, Karen Seifrid
- Support from URA/FRA
- Lewis-Burke Associates
 - Carole McGuire, Bridget Krieger, Kaitlin Chell

Representing ~ 2500 users



UEC Subcommittees

2012-2013

Chair Nikos Varelas **Secretary** Bob Zwaska

Quality of Life & Non-US Users

Sergo Jindariani (Chair)
Mary Anne Cummings
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Government Relations & Local Government

Breese Quinn (Chair)
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Dan Kaplan
Greg Pawloski
Lee Roberts
Mandy Rominsky
Greg Snow
Bob Zwaska
Nikos Varelas (ex-officio)

Outreach

Mandy Rominsky (Chair)
Mary Anne Cummings
Dan Kaplan
Ryan Patterson
Breese Quinn
Lee Roberts
Nikos Varelas (ex-officio)

http://www.fnal.gov/orgs/fermilab_users_org/



UEC Meetings

- UEC meets monthly
 - Student-Postdoc Association (FSPA) representatives also invited
 - News from the Chair
 - Subcommittee Reports
 - News from the Directorate
 - News from Washington (Lewis-Burke)
 - Guest speakers
 - Katie Yurkewicz, Greg Bock, Amanda Thompson, Herman White, Harvey Newman (USLUO), Joel Butler (USCMS PM), Jonathan Rosner (DPF, Chair), Carrie McGivern (FSPA), Robert Bernstein (Mu2e), Glen Crawford (DOE), Steve Holmes & Bob Tschirhart (Project X), Lee Roberts (g-2)
- Agendas and Minutes:

http://www.fnal.gov/orgs/fermilab_users_org/minutes/



Quality of Life & Non-US Users

- Co-sponsored Users Office activities on:
 - Tax preparation
 - Global Entry was very popular 68 people participated
 - Series of Immigration Presentations from visa issues to permanent residency and naturalization
- "Career outside HEP" event planned for June/July
- "Career in HEP" event planned for Summer
- Career development workshop at Argonne (coordinated Fermilab student/postdoc participation)
 - Last year's career fair was held on September 21, 2012
- Thanks to Amanda Thompson for her work with the subcommittee http://www.fnal.gov/orgs/fermilab users org/qol/



Outreach

- University Profiles at Fermilab Today
 - 52 institutions since May 2012
 - 24 institutions in 2009-2010
 - http://www.fnal.gov/pub/today/universities/
 - Posted on Wednesdays
 - Upcoming articles at Computing Bits will highlight contributions in computing from university groups profiled in 2012
 - Thanks to Leah Hesla for her hard work!
- Will start posting graduate student profiles at Fermilab Today
- Assisting the Education Office on their activities
- Investigating ways to document the economic impact of Tevatron

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46th Annual Users Meeting

- Exciting program
 - 34 talks: physics, program status, theory, overview
 - ILC Event: From Design to Reality
 - > 520 registrants on registration site
- Pier Oddone's Symposium to follow
- Engaging public lecture by Sean Carroll
- Successful Poster Session
- Excellent banquet, Festa Italiana
- Congratulations to:
 - Yanyan Gao, Fermilab (URA Tollestrup Award)
 - Angelo Di Canto, Pisa (URA Thesis Award)





144 PhD's! Congratulations!

University of Notre Dame

Cornell University

University of Kansas

University of Virginia

University of Kansas

University of Chicago

Temple University

University College London

University of Chicago

University of Portsmouth

Louisiana Tech University

Louisiana Tech University

Saclay/University of Paris VI

University of Texas, Arlington

Southern Methodist University

Radboud University Nijmegen

Univ Estadual Paulista Brazil

University of Rochester Centro Brasileiro de Pesquisas Físicas

University of Manchester

University of Rochester

SUNY, Stony Brook

University of Alabama

University of Minnesota

University of Minnesota

University of Manchester

Florida State University

University of Strasbourg

CINVESTAV Mexico

Lancaster University

Rice University

Panjab University

CINVESTAV Mexico

University of Kansas

CIEMAT, Madrid

California Institute of Technology

California Institute of Technology

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Florida International University

Ph.D. Recipients

Accelerator

Denise Ford Ben Freemire Timothy Maxwell Alexey Petrenko

Illinois Institute of Technology Northern Illinois University Budker Institute of Nuclear Physics

University of Padova

Matteo Bauce Karen Bland Erik Brucker Pierfrancesco Butt Matteo Corbo Tim Harrington Wesley Ketchum Qiuguang Liu Manuel Mussini Steven Poprocki Federico Sforza Jian Tang Marco Trovato Marcelo Voge Zhenbin Wu Yu Zeng

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Rutgers University

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University of Wisconsin

Florida State University

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University of Chicago Sohyun Park University of Florida

Theoretical Physics

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Government Relations

- Main responsibility is the organization of the annual trip to Washington, D.C.
- Representation from all three Frontiers and User Groups
- Appreciate FRA/URA support
- A lot of help/advice from Lewis-Burke Associates (Carole McGuire, Bridget Krieger, Kaitlin Chell)
- Details about the DC trip can be found on the UEC wiki page:
 - http://www.fermilab-uec.org/mediaWiki/index.php?title=Main_Page
- Thanks to Breese Quinn and GR Subcommittee for organizing a very successful and productive DC trip

http://www.fnal.gov/orgs/fermilab_users_org/dctrip/



Washington, DC Trip (1)

- 37 Participants
 - 15 UEC (of which 4 were from FSPA)
 - 15 USLUO
 - 7 SLUO

March 13-15, 2013



- 254 Office Visits
 - 246 Congress member offices
 - 4 Congressional committee staff
 - DOE HQ (Chu, Brinkman) and DOE Germantown
 - NSF
 - OSTP (OMB canceled our meeting this year)



Washington, DC Trip (2)

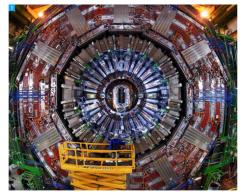
- Our message: Please sustain funding for HEP through DOE's Office of Science and NSF to continue the process of innovation and discovery
- Focus on Fermilab's transition to Intensity Frontier, as key element of future US-based HEP program
- Most congressional staff understood the importance of science and were very supportive







Our New Brochure (1)











1. More than 1,700 U.S. scientists and students drive science forward through experiments at the Large Hadron Collider in Genewa, Switzerland, including the CMS experiments.
2. High-energy physics partners with other scientific fields and agencies such as NASA to push the boundaries of research through experiments including the Fermi Garman-Ray Space Telescope.
3. The United States is a leader in the study of neutrinos, mysterious particles that ray help explain why the universe has evolved to the form we know today.
The MINOS experiment uses underground detectors in Illinois and Minnesota to study these particles.
4. Computing tools and distribution systems created to process and analyze.
5. National laboratories work with industry to train worker and develop manufacturing capabilities used as building occupance in a found worker and develop manufacturing capabilities.

High-Energy Physics Is a Nationwide Effort

Scientists, engineers, and technicians at 193 universities and laboratories in 44 states build high-tech tools and components, conduct scientific research, and train and educate the next generation of innovators. High-energy physics facilities at laboratories in the United States attract more than 4,000 scientists from around the world every year.



Please sustain funding for high-energy physics through the Department of Energy's Office of Science and the National Science Foundation to continue the process of innovation and discovery.

Accelerating American Innovation

High-Energy Physics in the United States





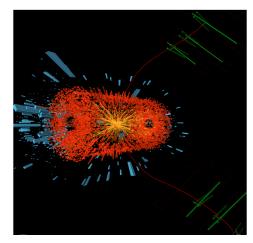


Our New Brochure (2)

Exploration that Propels U.S. Progress

The challenge of high-energy physics is to discover what our world is made of and how it works. Particle physics, the science of the very small, teams up with astrophysics and cosmology, the sciences of the very large, to explore the undiscovered universe from the tiniest particles to the outer reaches of space.

The quest to better understand our world inspires and educates tens of thousands of students across the country and creates a globally competitive, highly trained workforce in the United States. Advanced research and development (R&D) for the tools of high-energy physics drives innovation that improves the nation's health, wealth and security.



Leading the World to New Discoveries

America's high-energy physics research program positions U.S. scientists to make the next generation of discoveries at home and abroad. U.S. university and national laboratory researchers lead in the global search for answers to some of humankind's biggest questions:

What are the building blocks of matter and the fundamental forces of nature?

High-energy physicists from the United States lead the way in the quest to understand the Higgs boson and to search for other new particles and forces.

How did the universe develop into what we see today?

Pioneering research with powerful beams of neutrinos produced at Fermilab may uncover the mysteries of the dynamics of the early universe.

What makes up the 96 percent of the universe we can't see?

We understand only four percent of our universe. U.S. scientists lead pioneering Earth- and space-based experiments to search for the dark matter and dark energy that could explain the rest.

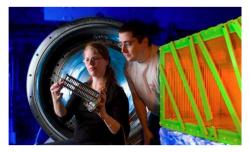






Providing Tools for STEM Education

Every year, high-energy physics programs at more than 100 universities and five national laboratories give tens of thousands of U.S. students hands-on learning experiences in science, math, computing and engineering. Students, scientists, engineers and technicians trained in the cutting-edge science of high-energy physics give the U.S. workforce an edge in the high-tech global economy.







Driving Innovation with High-Energy Physics

High-energy physics discoveries require powerful research tools. These bold and innovative technologies have entered the mainstream of society to transform the way we live and do business. More than 30,000 particle accelerators are in use worldwide in industries including

medicine, manufacturing and material processing. The Department of Energy's Office of High Energy Physics is the designated steward of the nation's program for particle accelerator R&D.

Examples of innovations enabled by high-energy physics R&D:

- · Global communication through the World Wide Web
- Big data management
- Cancer therapy with neutron and proton beams
- PET scanners and MRI machines
- Silicon chips for electronic devices
- Greener radial tire production using electron beams



Nikos Varelas + UIC



Washington, DC Trip (2)

- Almost all staffers had heard about the Higgs discovery
- Innovations, benefits to society, STEM education, and economic impact of HEP were acknowledged and well received
- Passed Hultgren/Lipinski's "Dear Colleague" letter, asking for HEP support
- Sent "Thank You" notes when returned home, with a reminder to sign the letter and join the Science and National Lab Caucus

QUESTION:

What do the World Wide Web, MRI Machines, and Cancer Treatment Have in Common?

ANSWER: High Energy Physics

Dear Colleague:

Please join us in sending a bi-partisan letter to President Obama in support of our nation's leadership in High Energy Physics.

The High Energy Physics program within The Office of Science has disproportionately been affected by shifting agendas and short-sighted thinking. Our nation has benefited immensely from investments we made over the past 30+ years in basic research, and in a time of slow economic growth, we must continue to invest in long-term basic research.

Our letter is not asking for an overall increase in spending, only that within existing spending levels the High Energy Physics program is made a higher priority.

<u>Deadline to join us March 20</u>. If you have any questions, or would like to sign-on, please contact <u>mischa.fisher@mail.house.gov</u> (5-2976) with Rep. Hultgren, or <u>jason.day@mail.house.gov</u> (5-5701) with Rep. Lipinski.

Best.

RANDY HULTGREN Member of Congress DAN LIPINSKI Member of Congress





Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

March 22, 2013

The Honorable Barack Obama President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As you craft your Fiscal Year 2014 budget request, and work with Congress to complete negotiations on the FY13 budget, we write in strong support of our nation's High Energy Physics

Everyone agrees the arbitrary "meat cleaver" approach of spending cuts contained in the sequester was not the right way to address our fiscal challenges; however, it is worth noting that a 5% cut from HEP under the reduced levels of spending in the sequester would actually still be higher than the level of un-sequestered funding for our flagship HEP program you proposed in your FY 2013 budget request.

As you know, our modern way of life would not be possible without our national investment in science and physics. High Energy Physics in particular has led to the breakthroughs that fuel economic growth, job creation, and American competitiveness. Cancer treatments using proton and neutron therapy, MRI machines, and the World Wide Web are all products of High Energy Physics research; recently, the search for and discovery of the Higgs Boson particle (aka "The God Particle") captured the public attention like few other scientific accomplishments.

As you continue to craft your FY2014 budget request, we strongly urge you to reverse the trend of declining requested levels for HEP within the Office of Science and maintain U.S. leadership in this important scientific field. We similarly urge you to prioritize HEP activities in determining the final FY13 budget.

RANDY HULTGREN Member of Congress

ROBERT E. ANDREWS Member of Congress

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Dr. John Holdren, Director White House Office of Science and Technology Policy

Dr. Steven Chu, Secretary of Energy Jeffrey Zients, Acting Director OMB

Dr. William F. Brinkman, Director of the Office of Science Dr. James L. Siegrist, Associate Director Office of High Energy Physics



Other UEC Activities (1)

 Submitted a 4-page testimony to the House and Senate Water-Energy Appropriations Subcommittees

> Written testimony from the Executive Committee of the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory Users Organization to the House Energy and Water Development Appropriations Subcommittee in support of the Department of Energy Office of Science and the National Science Foundation

The Fermilab Users Executive Committee: Mary Anne Cummings (Muons, Inc.), Craig Group (University of Virginia), Sergo Jindariani (Fermilab), Daniel Kaplan (Illinois Institute of Technology), Ryan Patterson (California Institute of Technology), Gregory Pawloski (University of Minnesota), Breese Quinn (University of Mississippi), Lee Roberts (Boston University), Mandy Rominsky (Fermilab), Greg Snow (University of Nebraska-Lincoln), Nikos Varelas (Chair, University of Illinois at Chicago), Robert Zwaska (Fermilab)

We are the Executive Committee of the Users Organization of the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory (Fermilab), located outside of Chicago, Illinois. We represent the approximately 3,000 scientists who perform research at Fermilab—our country's premier particle-physics laboratory. Also known as high-energy physics (HEP), our field is the study of the fundamental particles that are the building blocks of the Universe, as well as their role in astrophysics, and the accelerators used in their study.



Other UEC Activities (2)

- Nomination of new PAC members
- Participate in National User Facility Organization (NUFO) User Science Exhibition Events on Capitol Hill
 - Organized by the House Science & National Labs Caucus
 - The next one will be on June 26
- Will participate at an event organized by the Illinois Science & Technology Coalition (ISTC) on June 25
 - Will discuss the benefits of user facilities (Fermilab, Argonne) with Illinois Congressional Representatives and members of their staff





UEC Election

- Terms ending 2013
 - Sergo Jindariani
 - Daniel Kaplan
 - Ryan Patterson
 - Greg Pawloski
 - Bob Zwaska

- Terms ending 2014
 - Nikos Varelas (as past Chair)
 - Mary Anne Cummings
 - Craig Group
 - Breese Quinn
 - Lee Roberts
 - Mandy Rominsky
 - Greg Snow

I want to thank all continuing and outgoing members for their hard work and dedication!



- You are needed!
 - Without a strong UEC, the Users Organization would lose effectiveness
- You can make a difference
 - Quality of life: housing, pool, clubs, taxi, ...
 - Non-U.S. users: visas, immigration, taxes, support, ...
 - Advocacy: you must convince members of government and the general public of the value and benefits of our work
 - Annual meeting: this meeting belongs to the users and needs our effort to make it happen
 - Feedback to the Directorate on issues that concerns us
- Please stand for election to the Fermilab UEC
 - Six new members will be elected for 2-year terms
 - Nominations open until June 28, 2013
 - Elections in July term starts in September



Nomination Form

FERMILAB USERS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

NOMINATION FORM

The undersigned members of the Fermilab Users organization

NAME:	SIGNATURE:
EMAIL:	
INSTITUTION/PROJECT:	
For membership on the Users Executive Committee. He / She has indicated a willingness to serve as indicated by signature. This form should be received to the Users Office, MS 103 Batavia, IL 60510 no later than June 28, 2013	
NAME:	SIGNATURE:
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Thanks!

Many thanks to UEC:

- Greg Snow, Users Meeting Subcommittee Chair
- Sergo Jindariani and Bob Zwaska for Users Meeting agenda support
- Mary Anne Cummings, Craig Group, Sergo Jindariani, Greg Pawloski, Breese Quinn, Lee Roberts, Mandy Rominsky, Greg Snow, and Bob Zwaska for chairing the Users Meeting sessions

Many thanks to:

■ FSPA, Users Office, VMS, Office of Communication, Arts & Lecture Series Committee, Mary-Ellyn McCollum, Michelle Gleason, and many administrative assistants for help behind the scenes



Thanks!

Many thanks to Barb Book the MVP of the Users Meeting!

Her hard work, commitment, and dedication are what makes this meeting a success!

